June 23, 1927.

Miss Betty Booker,
University of Virginia,
Charlottesville, Va.

Dear Miss Booker:

While on the boat last week between New York and Savannah, I met Mr. Howard R. Biers, and during our conversation he happened to find out that I was a descendant of Martha Marshall Booker, who married Robert Collier on May 1st, 1806, and who came from Virginia to Georgia when they were children. Both the Collier and Booker families came from Virginia.

I have a complete genealogy on the Collier family from the 16th century. I happened to mention this and Mr. Biers then gave me your address, so I am writing to ask you if you belong to this Booker family. If you do, kindly give me the name of your father, your grandfather, your great-grandfather, and your great-great-grandfather. I will also appreciate it if you can assist me in obtaining Martha Marshall Booker's father's name, and just how she was connected with the Marshalls, etc.

My individual family are descendants of Issac Collier, who came from London, England, to America about the time that the Washingtons came. The Colliers settled at Porto Bello north of Mt. Vernon on the James River. I have been out to Mt. Vernon several times and have sold a great many good all over Virginia for the past years, but I have never traveled in Virginia, except on the train.

A few days ago by accident we had a letter from Mr. J. D. Eggleston, of Hampden-Sidney, Virginia, asking us if we were descendants of Robert Collier, who married Martha Marshall Booker. We replied in the affirmative, and we expect to hear from him very shortly, as he also claims to be a descendant of the Bookers.

Kindly give me all the information you can and greatly oblige.

Thanking you in advance for giving this matter your attention, I beg to remain

Yours most cordially,

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